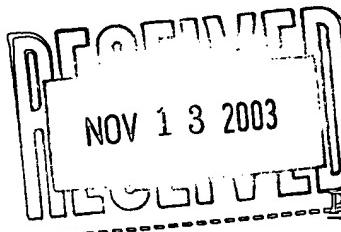


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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice of Appeal filed January 22, 2003, now due to expire March 22, 2003, be extended for one month and set to expire on April 22, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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